

November 29, 1963
3:45 p.m.

86

TELEPHONE CONVERSATION BETWEEN THE PRESIDENT AND SEN. RUSSELL LONG
(7)

RL
help one of our friends..with the Governor..if you need me why...let them
know and they'll send for me.

LBJ All right, I sure will.

RL I need to know how much you know about this fellow McKissen..who is running
against us in this race.

LBJ Nothing..never heard of him.

RL Well I thought that..he's got some of his liars saying that he's a close friend
of yours..he's going to fill up the State with federal money..I'm not going to
get you into it..don't worry about that.

LBJ You're the only man I know down there.

RL I'm just going to leave you out of it except to say that...I'll bet you wouldn't
recognize him across the street...

LBJ Well you just say that you've worked with me and just that I don't take any
parts in primaries but that you know this...that I'll work for anybody named
Long..

RL O.K.

LBJ I want to get that tax bill reported though before we go home. Now they tell
me hearings close on the 6th..it is going to look mighty bad..all these fellows
writing about the Congress unable to act...we've been on it a year..and if they
close on the 6th..it took them 4 or 5 days to write the market up last time..
we had a complex bill..seems to me they can take a week markup and a week
to consider the amendments and a week to pass it.

RL You can count on me, Mr. President..don't worry about that.

LBJ Thank you Russell. Get back here though and help me...

RL Goodluck..I will.

LBJ I'll call you.

RL All right, sir..thanks.

Date: September 15, 1993

Processing Note

Re: Telephone Conversation between the President and Sen.
Russell Long, 11/29/63, 3:45 p.m.

While working on preservation of the dictabelts, the archives staff observed the following inaccuracy in the transcript:

On page 1, the transcript reads:

RL: "I need to know how much you know about this fellow McKissen..who is running against us in this race."

The archives staff heard:

RL: "I need to know how much you know about this fellow McKeithen..who is running against us in this race."

Claudia Anderson
Archivist